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By NISSIM REJWAN

REPORTS emanating from Cairo and Beirut last week were persistent in talking of a "change of tactics" on the part of Colonel Nasser. This change, which some observers have termed a "sharp reappraisal of policy," in the main concerns Cairo's attitude towards General Kassem's Government. Although it can incidentally be expected to bring about a détente in inter-Arab relations, what seems to have given rise to these speculations is a letter, described as private and personal, which Nasser is said to have sent to Kassem proposing that the two let bygones be bygones and concentrate their joint efforts on fighting the threat posed by Communism to Arab nationalism. It is highly interesting, however, that round about this same time Cairo ceased its attacks on the Soviet Union and seems to consider the matter settled.

NASSER's change of tactics, if such it be, coincides further with a steadily increasing attitude which General Kassem has been taking vis-à-vis the Iraqi Communists. Kassem's insistence that political parties would be harmful to Iraq during the so-called transition period has already led the Communist Party to drop its demand for representation in the Cabinet—a move which was accelerated by the decision of the National Democratic Front to cease all its activities in compliance with the Prime Minister's wishes. Although Nasser did not lack proof that this new development has been used by Kassem as an excuse for an alleged change of line on Communism, who is now offering disinterested help in his quarrel with the Communists.

IT is not very difficult to guess the real motives behind Cairo's change of tactics. Nasser no doubt knew all along that Kassem's only fear has been Egyptian hegemony over Iraq, he considered an immediate threat to the country's independence, and that his encouragement of the Communists had only been a ploy to thwart Nasser's repeated attempts to merge Iraq with the United Arab Republic. Now that Kassem is strong enough to challenge the Communists, he is doing so quite successfully—a fact which places Cairo in a pretty difficult position. In the event, the Egyptians' main excuse for attacking Kassem was the allegation that he was a tool in the hands of the Communists.

IT would be wrong, however, to suggest that it is largely a matter of decorum and courtesy; far more than that, the eye may be involved in the alleged reappraisal. If successful, the manoeuvre—for it is nothing but that—will bring Nasser two very desirable results. In the first place, should Kassem agree to cooperate with him against the Communists, and should these be materially weakened as a result, Kassem's position will be greatly weakened. Nasserist elements are still in Iraq, thus paving the way for Cairo's second round in Baghdad. Although it may sound paradoxical, it is that Kassem is still in no mood to deal the Communists a really effective blow, even should he be in a position to do so, for it is doubtful whether, without the Communists' valuable help, Kassem can face a possible Nasserist attempt on his regime.

IN the second place—and this seems to be even more important for Nasser at the present juncture—an anti-Communist drive on Kassem's part may bedevil his relations with Moscow and restore Nasser as the Kremlin's main agent in the Arab world. (Khrushchev's proclamation of Nasser last year as the leader of a united Arab world must still be vivid in the latter's memory.) It may even produce a state of affairs where Nasser would get Moscow's help in his struggle against Kassem.

Jerusalem, May 31.

Jordan Wants Seat
UNITED NATIONS (Reuters).—Jordan on Saturday announced its candidacy for the Security Council seat which Tunisia is relinquishing next January 31.

The General Assembly will

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Dag Sees Tekoan On Suez Canal Issue

By JESSE ZEL LURIE, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

UNITED NATIONS.—Despite the Memorial Day holiday, Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld on Saturday morning received the Israeli delegate, Mr. Yosef Tekoan, who transmitted an urgent message from Jerusalem regarding the U.A.R. detention of the Inge Toft.

The Danish ship was stopped 10 days ago at the entrance to the Suez Canal with a cargo of Israeli goods for the Far East.

Details of the meeting were not disclosed here.

Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes:

The Cabinet on Sunday (today) is to hear a report on last week's diplomatic activities on the Suez Canal blockade. It is expected to take up the Hammarskjöld-Tekoan meeting as well as the contacts made by Israel with member states of the Security Council.

It is not expected to adopt a final decision because, until Saturday evening, there was still no official confirmation from Cairo of the Inge Toft's seizure.

The Cabinet will also discuss the Salomon Committee report on road accidents, and at the request of the Minister of Interior, it is to meet measures to ameliorate the situation of the Yarkon River.

Reports of the Massada Security Committee and the Ministerial Committee on Youth Movements may be heard at time permits.

Treasury Approves Plan To Purify Yarkon

A plan to divert sewage water from that stretch of the Yarkon River which runs through the populated sections of the Dan Region has been approved by the Minister of Finance, as a temporary solution to the problem of the river's pollution.

The scheme, suggested by a Tahal official, will be presented to the relevant Government authorities. It is estimated that the project would cost IL100,000 and would show results within a few weeks.

The plan is intended as a temporary measure to relieve the present nuisance to residents in the Dan Region. The Dan sewage network is completed.

Big Uruguayan Welcome for Meir

MONTEVIDEO (INA).—The Israeli Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, was greeted by thousands of persons waving flags, and a salute of 21 guns when she arrived here from Buenos Aires aboard a Uruguayan military plane as a guest of the Uruguayan Government.

Accompanied by Mr. Arich Levavi, the Israeli Ambassador to Argentina, she was greeted by Foreign Minister Homero Martínez Fontana. Later she was received by the President of the National Council (Government), Dr. Martín Echegoyen, who said, "Israel is very dear to our hearts."

Mrs. Meir opened a two-day conference here of Israel's present post since March 1957. However, he entered Ministry employ six months earlier, and had been a regular Tel Aviv-Paris commuter. He had previously worked for the Incode Meat Packing Company in Jibuti. He is 39 and Viennese-born.

Ben-Nathan Returning To Succeed Peres

JERUSALEM (Reuters).—Mr. Asher "Artur" Ben-Nathan, head of the Defence Ministry mission in Europe, is on his way back to Israel from France, reportedly to take over as Director-General of the Ministry in place of Mr. Shimon Peres.

According to well-informed sources, Mr. Peres will go into active politics in the Mapai party after Mr. Ben-Nathan takes over.

Mr. Ben-Nathan has held his present post since March 1957. However, he entered Ministry employ six months earlier, and had been a regular Tel Aviv-Paris commuter. He had previously worked for the Incode Meat Packing Company in Jibuti. He is 39 and Viennese-born.

The Throne That Hangs on a Smile

BRUSSELS (Reuters).—King Baudouin, whose reign has been marred by a "palace crisis," is expected to give a "new look" to his nation's relations with his North American tour.

His first move will be to receive the press on Tuesday morning—less than 24 hours after his arrival—bringing a big break in royal tradition.

Previously the only occasions for meetings between the press and a monarch were annual gala theatre performances and then the king has been described as showing a "bored face."

Despite the far-reaching "palace revolution" which has occurred during his absence, Belgians are hoping the 28-year-old king will maintain the new smiling character he seems to have developed during his American tour.

King Baudouin has often been seen with a stern and bored look on his face and has gained the nickname "king-in-spite-of-himself."

A usually well-informed source said here that "Belgium's political future may be read on the young king's face when he alights from his aircraft. If the king goes on smiling as he has in America, everything will be fine. But if we see him sad and gloomy this would be a bad omen for his future relations with the people and the government."

A Royalist politician said: "The nation might no longer accept an angry young king." On his arrival, the king will take sole possession of the royal palace of Laeken for the first time.

Two weeks ago, as the young monarch charmed Americans with his relaxed and smiling attitude, a wide press campaign was launched against the "undue influence of his father, 77-year-old ex-

Israel Becomes 41st Member Of GATT by 32-1

GENEVA (Reuters).—Israel on Friday was accepted as the 41st member of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) by the overwhelming vote of 32 to one against, with one abstention, at the plenary session of the organization here.

The delegate of Indonesia, who voted against Israel, declared that his vote was on a "matter of principle." Pakistan abstained. Earlier, an Arab League attempt to force GATT to reject Israel's application had failed.

Israel will not have voting power, although her delegate will participate in all meetings of the organization. She has applied for a temporary multilateral arrangement pending the opening of the world market in September, 1960. This has yet to be considered by GATT.

Mr. Moshe Barz, Assistant Director-General of the Israel Foreign Ministry, told the session: "We regard this as an important stepping-stone in the evolution of Israel's policy, which we are certain will lead to the expansion of our trade and economic relations with the contracting parties. My people and Government are striving towards closer relations with all countries and we shall indeed be pleased if the membership of GATT further expands so that the ideals embodied in the agreement, which so strongly emphasize the rule of non-discrimination may spread throughout the world."

"This is certainly our wish in relation to our own geographic region as well as to the world as a whole, and towards the United Nations, in our endeavour to make our modest contribution."

Syrians Sabotage Spring at Shamir

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER

TIBERIAS.—Syrian marauders on Friday sabotaged the Dufailah spring, south of kibbutz Shamir in Upper Galilee. After taking down the protecting fence, they blocked up the spring with stones and earth. They also removed a section of the 14-inch pipe used by the kibbutz for irrigation.

A U.N. officer and the Israel liaison officer with the Mixed Armistice Commission investigated the damage. The Syrians committed similar sabotage a year ago, and previously, at the same spring, which is some 300 meters from a U.N. Observation point.

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Lebanese Crew Returned Home

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NAHARIYA.—The Italian pilot and the four Lebanese crew of the Lebanese Air Force plane forced to land at Haifa last Wednesday after photographing Israel territory, were on Friday returned to Lebanon.

The men were handed over at Rosh Hanikra to U.N. Observers who took them to the Lebanese authorities. The Lebanese authorities had refused to accept the men direct from Israel custody, saying that they would do so only if the plane were also released.

The plane is still being held at Haifa.

The pilot's name has been given as Gabriel Rivalta. His Lebanese co-pilot is Adjutant Yusef Saadi.

The Mixed Armistice Commission meeting on the incident here ended this morning. The U.N. Chairman studies it further.

U.K. ENVOY NOTES IMPROVED RELATIONS

TEL AVIV.—Relations between Britain and Israel have progressed to the stage where the two countries may speak frankly without offending one another, "even to disagree with friendship," the outgoing British Ambassador, Lord Hailsham, said on Friday at the weekly luncheon of the Commercial and Industrial Club.

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85 Die in Java Train Smash

JAKARTA (Reuters).—Eighty-five persons were killed and 47 injured when a passenger train plunged into a ravine in the East Java Regency of West Java, a military spokesman announced yesterday.

The official stated a coupling between the engine and the rest of the train had snapped and passenger cars had fallen into a ravine.

The area, strewn with ravines hundreds of feet deep and the railway winds up razor-back ridges which in some places seem almost perpendicular.

24 Persons Die In Two Explosions

MERLEBACH, East France (Reuters).—Twenty-four persons were known to have died in an explosion on Friday 2,000 feet underground at the Pontcharvill mine here. Thirty-three were injured and one is missing.

In Nagano, Japan, about 100 men fighting six persons were killed in a fight between the two groups. Thirty-three were injured and one is missing.

7 Die, Officer Lynched In Ecuador Rioting

QUITO, Ecuador (Reuters).—Seven persons were killed, 20 were injured and an army officer was lynched in riots on Saturday in the garrison town of Portoviejo, capital of Ecuador's Manabí Province.

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Nationalists Said Rioting in Iraq

BAGHDAD (Reuters).—The Communist Iraqi newspaper, "Itidha ul-Shah," Friday reported numerous "reactionary activities" in the central Euphrates region.

The newspaper said 30 reactionary army units with daggers and clubs on Friday attacked the government headquarters at Qadisiya. They broke chairs on the head of the deputy chief of the area and assaulted the chief of the Peasants Society and the Democratic Youth Organization, and some policemen. At Tarmiya several people were injured by bullets when trade unionists clashed after a village speech by a union leader.

The newspaper linked the incidents with attempts to "instill a passive spirit in the Iraqi people."

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Haifa Hapoel Beats Belgians 1-0

HAIFA.—Haifa Hapoel defeated the Belgian football champions, Royal Standard of Liege, by 1-0 at the City Stadium on Saturday, with the visitors' efforts least in the draw through being consistently dogged by bad luck. The first half was scoreless.

The 10,000 Belgians impressed 6,000 spectators with their low passes from short and long distances, but luck apparently helped them in the second half. The goal was scored by the Hapoel's goal-keeper, who hit the crossbar, and on three occasions the Hapoel backs managed to stop the ball right at the goal line after it had gone past Bortell, the goalkeeper.

In the first half of the game, the Belgians were in the lead, but they were out of the game, and therefore all friends of Israel took to their feet to cheer the only problem as he could see it was whether the youthfulness of the team would be a hindrance to the team's performance.

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Space Monkeys Meet the Press In Washington

WASHINGTON (Reuters).—America's space-pioneering monkeys nonchalantly chewed peanuts as they received a welcome fit for heroes in Washington's most unusual press conference in years.

Under the glare of klieg lights and amid the grinding of television and newswire cameras, nearly 100 shirt-sleeved reporters and photographers swarmed around the first successful space travellers. Able, Baker, and Baker, the three monkeys, were introduced to the press by a military spokesman.

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Russia Hints at Truce If West Make Concession

GENEVA (UPI).—Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko on Saturday launched a bitter attack on American radio broadcasts from West Berlin. It looked like the start of a campaign to win face-saving Western concessions before a Soviet ultimatum on Berlin.

Russia wants to silence "Rias," the "Voice of Freedom" beamed throughout Communist East Germany. The West had expected a Soviet move to mute its transmitters in any bedrock "interim" Berlin agreement.

The Soviet Foreign Minister devoted most of a 45-minute Radio Four plenary speech to a bitter attack on Rias "Radio in the American Sector" and other alleged "subversive activities of the Western powers in West Berlin."

He reiterated the Soviet demand for withdrawal of Western forces from Berlin and creation of an undivided "free city."

British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd and French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville immediately rejected this.

Mr. Gromyko's expected denunciation came shortly after Western officials gave an indication of what had been taking place in secret talks with the Soviet Minister.

They said he held out vague hints that a "truce" arrangement had been reached, maintaining Western rights in West Berlin—if the West will pay a price.

The West was already braced for some sort of Soviet demand as regards propaganda and intelligence activities in West Berlin.

Mr. Gromyko also was expected to make a later stage of the conference—to demand Soviet military participation in West Berlin or replacement of Western forces by neutrals. His denunciation of Rias seemed to fit the script.

After a two-day afternoon plenary session, Mr. Gromyko was immediately challenged by British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd, who accused his attack on Western "subversive" activities.

Mr. Lloyd said the situation in Berlin and Germany was essentially abnormal. But he suggested that the abnormality had not caused any serious crisis in the last 10 years and the present situation was by no means unsatisfactory.

The sensible thing was to leave the Berlin situation basically as it was, though to try to improve it if possible by mutual agreement, he said.

Formosan Plane Shot Down in China
HONG KONG (Reuters).—A Chinese Communist fighter plane shot down an American-made Nationalist Chinese B-17 on Friday night, killing all 12 persons aboard, the New China News Agency reported on Saturday.

It said the plane crashed in flames in the Nakwan area, south of Yanning in Kwangtung province.

Indonesia Shies At 'Guided Democracy'
JAKARTA (UPI).—President Sukarno's plan for implementing his "guided democracy" proposal, designed to set up a completely new form of government, giving him almost unlimited power, met a stunning defeat on Saturday.

But the door was left open for a possible compromise that would permit adoption of a modified version of Sukarno's "guided democracy."

In the first of three votes required by Assembly procedure when a measure fails to garner the required two-thirds majority, Sukarno's proposal had 269 votes in favour while 199 opposed—far short of what the Government hoped for.

The entire Moslem bloc, which has a commanding position in the Assembly, failed to accept Government compromise offers up to the end.

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ANTI-SEMITISM is no longer confused with anti-Zionism in enlightened Western circles, but this is hardly the case on the Eastern side of the Iron Curtain. Moreover, Israelis are dependent for their information on the state of affairs in Russia on such articles as that which appeared last week in "Truth," organ of the Soviet trade Unions.

In two thousand years of persecution, the Jewish people have cultivated a very sensitive instinct to detect a threat, where others might see only incongruity. What faint echoes of anti-Semitism reach us from the prevalence of the Bug and the Kamchatka do not alleviate our fear that a studied campaign is being waged against the idea of Jewishness.

Jews all over the world tend to evaluate their relations with the peoples and the authorities of the lands in which they reside in the light of the prevalence of anti-Semitism. It is generally felt that rabid anti-Semitism has never been an insignificant influence on Government and public opinion in present-day Europe and America. The anti-Jewish drive is a force which we believe is currently being conducted in Soviet Russia may not have originated with rabid anti-Semites who found their way into government, but may be inspired by a rational desire to "solve" the Jewish question once and for all. In any case, the effects of such a drive on a population with a strong residue of anti-Semitism dating from Czarist times cannot fail to assume major proportions. If there is little to substantiate such fears at present, the sad experience of Jewish history can yet provide a formidable warning.

One can sympathize with the reasoning of Communist leaders who feel they must eliminate the "Jewish question." The fact that Jews live in Russia as a distinct and separate group has a bad influence on a population in which individualism is not only scorned but regarded as a challenge to authority. The Jews, according to Soviet dogma, have been given every chance to become "as Russian as the Russians." If they have not it is their own fault—their "unassimilability" sets a bad example for other "unassimilables," and they accordingly must be pressured out of existence.

Well-meaning Russians say that if the Jews had only insisted openly and firmly on their rights of free worship and language, they would have gained them. The whole pattern of Jewish life in the Soviet Union has probably sunk to the level of tragedy because there were very few Jews who dared to demand freedom for their people, knowing full well that the reward of opposition in a regime which does not brook opposition. A man who is afraid is a man who is in the wrong. To Russians of the new generation who may not have been raised on the Czarist brand of anti-Semitism, Jews are nevertheless wrong because they never say openly what they want.

If the Soviet Government were to do the improbable and announce that any citizen of Jewish ancestry is free to go to Israel, probably very few would avail themselves of the offer. They would be afraid to register, as they were afraid to ask openly for the right to learn Hebrew, knowing the fate which befell those few who did clamor for that right.

But possibly the threat hanging over Russia's Jews, from which one can only guess at how many are, is felt more poignantly there, and for once there would be many who would not fear to register, in the conviction that they have nothing to lose. When Soviet newspapers began to tell Russian Jews how bad it is in Israel, it was a sure sign that Russian Jews do not feel so well at home.

Khrushchev in Albania

By Richard Lowenthal

Russian Eyes on Iraq

BERLIN (OPNS). — Mr. Khrushchev's 12-day visit to Albania is causing a great deal of puzzled speculation in the West. Why, it is asked, should he have chosen the moment when the Soviet Union is at the dead-end of its foreign policy to inspect his forward outpost in the Mediterranean? He may intend to use this platform for launching another of his characteristic combinations of offers and threats, thus providing the "blast of fresh air" which he recently suggested was needed in the stuffy Geneva conference room. He may also once again deliberately turn his back on the area of stagnation, Central Europe, in order to deal with the area of dramatic change and movement—the Middle East.

While we await the answer, let us turn our minds to the underlying problem—that of the Kremlin's present order of foreign policy. Just how important do we rate Mr. Khrushchev's desire for a final diplomatic showdown with the West? How much of the "relax tension" on the part of the Kremlin is a bluff, and how much is a genuine desire to risk in order to exploit the momentum of the gains in the Middle East?

How far is he dominated by considerations of the military balance of power between East and West, which requires continued caution in the handling of independent neutrals like President Nasser, and how quickly is he prepared to back the ideological advance of Communism, even at the price of antagonizing such neutrals?

U.S. Bases

It seems to me that the key to all these questions is still the Kremlin's preoccupation with the local area of forward American bases. Ever since Stalin's death, Soviet foreign policy has been dominated by the ideological objectives of consolidating East-European conquests and of loosening the ties of alliance and bases surrounding the Soviet bloc. The first has required both reforms and ruthless repression; it also requires the diplomatic recognition of the East German regime, and of the Soviet sphere in Europe generally. The second has produced the ever-repeated attempts to flatter or frighten the outlying allies of the U.S. into neutrality, and also the efforts to encourage the Asian neutrals by cautious diplomacy and economic aid, to stay uncommitted.

If this is true, it follows that the Soviet effort to "end

the cold war" by Western acceptance of the status quo of Soviet conquest is still important, but that it takes place along with the at least equally important campaign to prevent the installation of American missile bases and to be rid of the existing bases of the U.S. Strategic Air Command. The claim of Soviet propaganda that these bases are now militarily untenable, both because they can be easily destroyed, and because the Americans, being exposed to Soviet long-range rockets, would no longer defend them, is politically refuted by the very insistence of Soviet diplomacy on this point.

Bases Still Valuable

The Kremlin is clearly conscious that at the present stage in rocket development the advantages of dispersion and proximity are enjoyed by the Americans through their foring of bases are still of decisive importance in the world balance of power. Mr. Khrushchev may well use his Albanian visit to propose a kind of "Rapacki Plan" for the Mediterranean area, offering to refrain from the erection of missile bases in the Balkans in return for similar renunciation on the part of Italy, Greece and Turkey, and seeking to enlist neutral Yugoslav support in this cause. If he does, the proposal will not be a mere diversion but a serious effort to change the regional balance of power, which is hardly inferior in importance to his proposals for Germany.

If we apply the same reasoning to Soviet objectives in the Middle East, the fact immediately comes to mind that all Soviet moves in this area for years past have been motivated by the desire to weaken and dissolve the Baghdad Pact, and thus to isolate Turkey, the principal American bastion in the region.

Soviet support for the revolution in Iraq was assured long before the Soviets could have been said to have succeeded in expanding their influence for the obvious and sufficient reason that this revolution was bound in any case to end Iraq's membership in the pact. But from the point of view of this objective it is more urgent for the Soviets today to focus the appeal of the Iraqi revolution in order to encourage similar changes in neighboring Iran, than to assure full Communist control in Iraq itself at this time.

Full Communist control in Iraq might be immensely valuable in the long run, because it would enable the Soviets to cut off one of the major sources of West Eu-

rope's oil supply in an acute crisis—a step which no independent Iraqi regime that put its own interests first would ever take just to please the Soviets. But it is not in the Soviet interest to achieve such full control now at the price of sharpening the conflict with Nasser and of discouraging the non-Communist neutrals in Iran.

It follows that Mr. Khrushchev has in all probability advised the Iraqi Communists to go slow in pressing their demands for the control of the Government, and that their recently increased caution reflects Russia's order of priorities. It would be rash to conclude from this that Khrushchev is uninterested in the extension of Communist rule in Iraq, and elsewhere. On the contrary, all the evidence of his speeches and actions shows that he is more than confident in the ability of foreign Communists to win power without direct Soviet intervention. He is less worried than his late chief by the possibility that, having won power, they will turn their backs on their own policies afterwards.

Khrushchev's caution does not prove that he is a practitioner of traditional Russian power politics, who would deliberately refrain from using the revolutionary potential of Communism to overthrow everywhere. What it proves is that he is a shrewd practitioner of Communist action at any given time and place in accordance with the advances in the Russian power, which he sees as the backbone of international Communist power.

No Bid for Power

The Iraqi Communists are not being neglected or deliberately sacrificed by Moscow; they are told to use every means in order to strengthen their hold on the Government machine as a basis for the next phase of the revolution, but to avoid a bid for open control and conflict with their remaining nationalist allies just now. There is, of course, no guarantee that this combination of Communist action to Soviet priorities will always be successful. Revolutionary movements have their own logic, and once they have passed a certain point it is difficult to put the brake on them without a severe and costly defeat. Mr. Khrushchev's plan for Iraq may yet miscarry as Stalin's plan for China.

Special Scholarships

THE ISRAELI BAR-AM ABROAD. The Israeli Bar-Am, a group of young men and women, has been awarded a scholarship for study in Israel. This was followed by a concert given by eight of the group members. The concert was held at the Tel Aviv Municipal Auditorium. The group consists of: Nurit Greenberg, Soprano; Zaira Ornstein, Soprano; MARIAN ANDERSON PRIZE. More than 100 scholarships for study in Israel were also awarded. This was followed by a concert given by eight of the group members. The concert was held at the Tel Aviv Municipal Auditorium. The group consists of: Nurit Greenberg, Soprano; Zaira Ornstein, Soprano; MARIAN ANDERSON PRIZE.

Mozart Excerpts

Friends of the Theatre and Opera, Haifa, Mozart Excerpts from "The Marriage of Figaro" (Beit James de Rothschild, May 25, under the direction of the Music Assistant and Hebrew Translator, Ruth Hellet, Yitzhak Levy, tenor; Hannah Lehrer, Zava Schmuel, sopranos; Ida Sukman, Fania Goral, mezzo-soprano; Dalia Ben-Zvi, alto; Yitzhak Katz, baritone; Shimon Greenbaum, bass; Narrator, Miriam Gabrieli).

Ricci in Haifa

The Haifa Symphony Orchestra, Georg Singer, conductor; Eugene Ricci, violin. Arnon Hall, May 27. Weber, Overture to "Oberon"; Paganini, Concerto in minor; Tchaikovsky, Concerto in B major for violin and orchestra.

Israel Works

First concert of works by Israeli composers sponsored by the League of Composers and the Municipal Corporation of Tel Aviv-Jaffa, Department of Education. Works by: Avraham Ofek, Paintings; Yitzhak Katz, Piano; JACOB SCHULMAN, LARSHIP. Works by: Yitzhak Katz, Piano; JACOB SCHULMAN, LARSHIP.

Readers' Letters

PEDESTRIANS TO BLAME
Editor, The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Having arrived in Israel only recently, I am amazed at the carelessness of many pedestrians who cross streets without looking and seem to refuse to acknowledge the existence of vehicular traffic. These people are as much to blame for the high accident rate as are the careless drivers accused by the "Committee to Investigate the Causes of Road Accidents."

Yours, etc.
(Name and Address Supplied)
Haifa, May 18.

THANKS FROM ELAT

Editor, The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Through the medium of The Jerusalem Post, we should like to express our gratitude to Maestro Eugene Ormandy, to Isaac Stern, and to the members of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra for giving us, in Elat, a delightful evening of beautiful music.

Heartfelt thanks are also due to the Local Council of Elat and all those through whose efforts the performance of the concert was made possible.

Yours, etc.
MR. AND MRS. BONDY
Eilat, May 26.

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL WEAPON — FOR THE OPPOSITION



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Lowdermilk Sees Conservation Results

Saving Water Saves Land

By YESHAYAHU ASHNI

"If the countries of the world were governed by farmers, there would be no wars. The farmers would see to it there was no erosion, they'd husband every grain of soil and every drop of water, there would be enough food and no need for war." That is the practical philosophy of the soil fighter to whom Israel owes so much, Dr. Walter Clay Lowdermilk, the man who has led the struggle against erosion in the U.S., in Africa, Europe and the Mediterranean countries. We accompanied the Professor on a trip to the Hula and Jordan valleys, where the men of the Soil Conservation Division showed him the latest sights. The man who wrote "Palestine — Land of Promise," who conceived a Jordan Valley Authority and predicted a Negev irrigated with Jordan water and a Dead Sea brought to life with Mediterranean water, was plainly satisfied as we drove past fields of unbelievably green beans and maize yielding 500 kg per dunum where the Hula swamps had been.

"The Hula has been drained, cultivated crops are being grown on it, the men are working hard, they want to make a success of it and they



"Beach" terracing at Kinneret

will," he said, removing his wide-brimmed hat, and his white hair glistened in the sun. "When the Zinner Zee, their problem was salinity; you had complex drainage problems, and you solved them. This is going to be a little Garden of Eden. It has the water and you have created the soil, the sub-tropical climate will allow you to grow all kinds of crops here. In another five years the area will be covered with trees, windbreaks. You have brought redemption to the land and you have been rewarded. In the plan for utilizing Jordan waters the draining of the Hula was to be the sixth stage, but you have brought it forward."

Bumper Crops

His camera kept whirling as he photographed drainage installations and crops the length and width of the Hula. He will show his films and his slides in the U.S. At the office of the Director of the Hula Authority, Mr. Rayskin, figures that were music to Professor Lowdermilk's ear were being thrown back and forth. They were the yields of the Hula: 500 kilos of rice, 280 kilos of cotton, 20,000 gladioli bulbs, 450 kilos of sorghum and cucumbers, mainly for export. Five hundred people are employed, over 1,000 on peak days. The professor's eyes rested on full ears of grain and high stands of Sudan grass for hay: "Wheat grows on Lake Hula."

In the afternoon Dr. Lowdermilk hosted some of the 2,000-damman nature reserve where the wildlife of the Hula has concentrated. The engineers of the Jewish National Fund, who have set up an economical system of supplying the preserve with water flowing by gravitation from Shpond

Pen Friends

LUIGI DE CONCINI, Via Mazzini 32/2, Trento, Italy, would like to exchange picture postcards with Israeli pen-friends in Israel (if possible in Italian or French).

Pen Friends

With so much reclamation work yet to be done in this country, the Professor feels, good or bad farmers, and what matters is what the farmer is ready to do to improve the land. The land is always good. His words were vividly illustrated by a vineyard that Kvutzat Kinneret has planted on the contour of a steep slope. Planned by our soil conservation men, it was a perfect example of his motto: to save every drop of water and exploit every inch of land. Between the rows, the men of Kinneret have planted a bush that holds down the soil and at the same time provides good feed for cattle; and to increase grape yields, they have developed a new method of tying one branch of each vine outside the row, thus creating intermediate rows.

Pen Friends

At every stop, farmers showed their respect and affection for Dr. Lowdermilk. He turned, was anxious to

FRIDAY'S PRESS

Contact with U.S. Jewry

THE erection of a bridge of mutual understanding between Israel and the Jewish communities in the Diaspora is the most important implication of the "Day of American Jewry." The press writes: "Davav" (Histadrut), prevail on both sides due to a lack of well-founded and intimate knowledge. This holds especially in the "Zionist debate," which has just picked up again. Such misconceptions can be swept aside by closer acquaintance and a spirit of solidarity.

Abroad

The Israeli baritone, Paolo Gerlin, has been with the Netherlands Opera for several years, sang the title role of Puccini's comic opera, "Gianni Schicchi," at the gala performance for the Shah of Persia in The Hague recently. After the performance, he and the other two main singers were presented to the Shah, Queen Juliana and Prince Bernhard.

AICF Scholarships

AT the annual distribution of scholarships and prizes by the America-Israel Cultural Foundation at the Mann Auditorium on May 21, the following scholarships for study abroad were awarded:

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